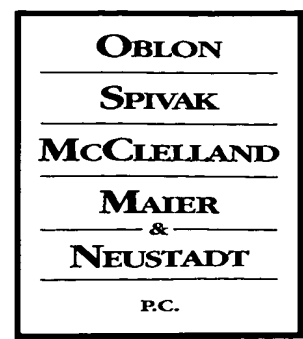




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Responsive to the Office Action dated November 25, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Discussion of the Amendment** begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.